

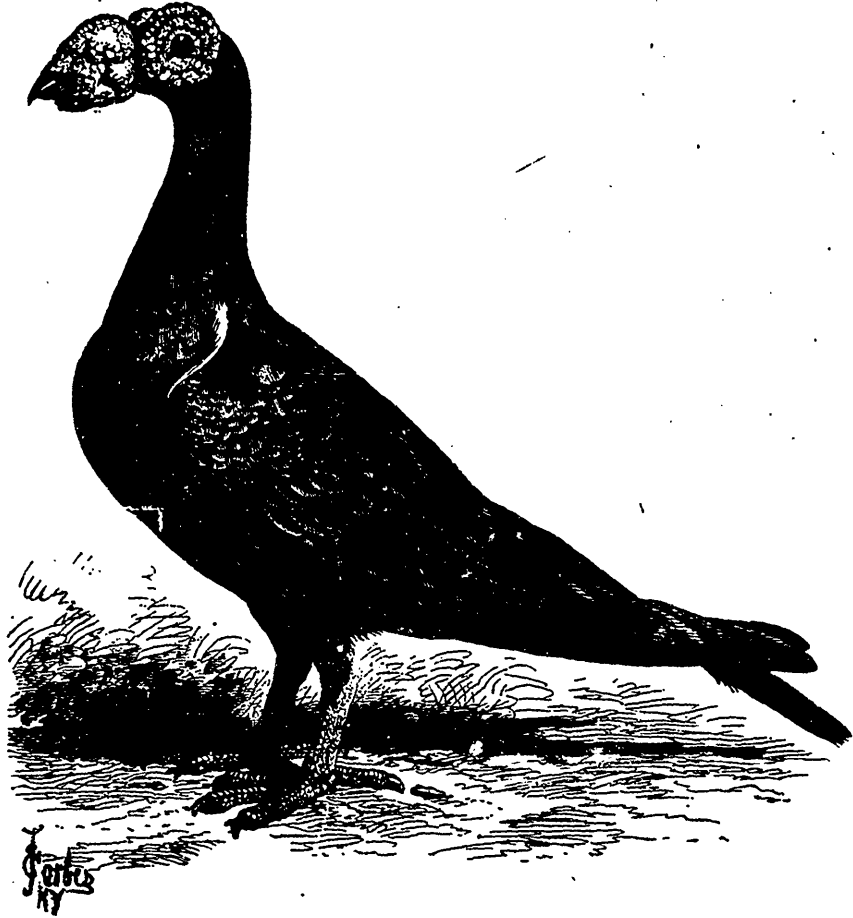
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THE CARRIER PIGEON.

It can be safely said that the subject of this article holds the first place in the appreciation of fanciers, and how justly he merits this prominence! His superiority over his beautiful and attractive brethren, with their individual peculiarities, characteristics and merits, is freely admitted by most experienced pigeon keepers. There is a doubt and uncertainty as to his origin, and to whom should be accredited the honor of raising the breed to its present high state of perfection. . . to attempt

to prove this point would be somewhat difficult and also inadvisable, for, as a universal breed, no doubt fanciers in many countries have played their little part as skillful, judicious and experimental breeders; of course nature has helped us wonderfully. We are indebted to Mr. J. C. Long, Jr., of Philadelphia, a careful breeder and critical judge, for the following observations:

The Carrier of to-day holds the same relation to the pigeon fancier that the beautiful game cock